

## **Burrillville Bicentennial Commission -- Minutes 8/2/06**

**Meeting came to order at 7:00 p.m. July 12 meeting was cancelled.**

**All members present - Patricia Mehrtens, Patricia Henderson, Richard Nolan, Silvia St. Pierre**

**Minutes of June meeting were approved as read.**

**Treasurer's Report ----- Progress is being made on the treasurer's report.**

**Pat M. brought the finance roster regarding our funds. We have \$28,490.80 and have spent \$7508.58. Richard will get new financial information from the town hall.**

### **Old Business**

**Fundraising Letters - letter to be written by Pat H. We are looking for advertisement money for our bicentennial booklet. DP Printing will make booklets. Pat H. will get names of businesses. The letter needs to be sent now, as it will be too late by next meeting.**

**The ads will be: full page \$100, 1/2 page \$60, 1/4 page \$35. The booklet will be available at the bicentennial banquet on November 16. We will advertise in the Bargain Buyer. Donors/Friends list includes Levy Foundation, OSP, Cathy Wheeler, Cheri Hall, Richard Polacek, Pascoag and Harrisville Fire Depts., BHS, Boy Scouts.**

**Fireworks – This was a well-attended success.**

**Parade – Date has been changed to September 30. Pat H. met at the high school. Grand Marshall will be Annette Bleiweis. Politicians**

who have been invited include Cacieri, Pacheco, P. Fogarty, C Fogarty, Lunch, and Brown. Chaffee, Reed, Kennedy need to be invited.

So far these organizations will attend: RI Nat. Guard, State Police (if Governor comes), Harrisville Fire Dept., Oakland Mapleville Fire Dept., American Legion, Glocester Light Infantry, Providence Brass Band, Buxton Fife and Drum, 5 Cycling Murrays.

We will put an ad in the Bargain Buyer for all organizations to participate in the parade. Pat H will call Neighbors for an ad to get participation. We also need to invite churches, boy scouts, Zambarano Hosp., Knights of Columbus, Lion's Club, Masons, etc. to participate in the parade.

It will be emphasized that all entrants and floats in the parade will be non-political as this is a celebration of all of Burrillville both past and present.

BHS Alumni will be in the parade. They will sponsor a concert on Friday night and a dance on Saturday night.

School children: Schools will be combined and each group will represent 50 years of Burrillville's history and each group will have a float.

H.S. Freshmen and Callahan School 1806-1856

Sophomores and Levy School 1856-1906

Juniors and BMS 1906-1956

Seniors and Steere Farm School 1956-2006

BOSAP needs to be contacted.

A change in route is in progress. We want H.S. to Callahan. Vehicles

**can park at BMS and be shuttled to BHS.**

**Need a letter to the Town Council that we request no outside vendors to be given permits for the parade without the Bicentennial Commission's approval.**

**We will distribute flags to the public before the parade kick-off. We need the whole town decorated for the parade with buntings for the town buildings.**

**We will need a bandstand for review.**

**We will get Bicentennial Commission on the Town Council meeting agenda. We need to address vendors, hats, invite to march in the parade, and invite to the banquet.**

## **New Business**

**Lion's Club Duck Race – Aug. 6. We will sell hats. Silvia and Pat M. will have a table and banner.**

**Bicentennial Banquet – All members are on the committee. We will make tickets and charge \$15 each. We have guaranteed Wrights 225 people. Silvia will call them. We will have a Burrillville trivia contest. Prizes can be gift certificates that include: Pat M's books, Bella's, Crystal Lake, or Wright's and other local restaurant gift certificates, hats, etc. We need other volunteers. We will contact Janice Hebert.**

**T shirts – They will be red with logo like our banners in town. Pat M. will get Richard the design on computer.**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**  
**Silvia St. Pierre, Recording Secretary**